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Identical letters dated 22 February 2006 from the Permanent Representative of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General and the President of the General Assembly

I am obliged to draw your attention to the recent undisguised manoeuvrings of the United States of America to legitimize the "Proliferation Security Initiative" (PSI).

The United States-devised PSI is based on unilateralism, selectivity and double standards, reflecting dangerous ideas for aggravating instability in regions and beyond by provoking military collisions.

The United States is plotting to drag other countries into the PSI against specific countries. This constitutes virtual violation of international law, completely destroying the Charter of the United Nations, which stipulates respect for State sovereignty and the international legal system that was established with great care for world peace and security.

In this regard, I particularly stress that direct or indirect joining in the PSI by certain countries participating in the six-party talks would create new artificial obstacles to the peaceful settlement of the nuclear issue on the Korean peninsula.

The Democratic People's Republic of Korea will take practical counter-measures if even an inch of its sovereignty is encroached upon by the PSI.

I should be grateful if you would have the present letter circulated as a document of the General Assembly, under agenda item 82.

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